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OYEN, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13th. 1916.

PAGE ONE

Men's Clothing

Everybody talks about
Our Men's Suits
And at this time of the year everyone expects to receive
a gift so we have decided to give

**25 per cent off our prices
On Suits**

And ask you to watch for the Red Tag on them.

FOR CHRISTMAS GROCERIES



We are always to the front with best brands
that money can buy.

P. W. HART

Edmonton, Alberta

The OYEN Livery Feed and Sales Stable

Draying and Carting

Terms Reasonable

All orders for Draying to be left at the Barn.

Chopping Mill in Connection

The Oyen Draying Company

WOOD & McCADDER, Proprietors



Ford Sales and Service Station

Now is the time to give us your order
for a new car for Spring delivery and it will
be here for you when you want it. If you delay
until Spring before ordering, deliveries
cannot be guaranteed. Call any time and
talk it over with us.

We are now prepared to over-haul old
cars and put them in first class shape for their
next season's work.

Peterson Motor Company Ltd.

OYEN,

ALBERTA

Local Items

Dr. Lackner, Dentist, will be
at his head office in Oyen the
first 14 days of each month,
Cereal 15th to 19th inclusive.

Mr. J. W. Snell, accompanied
by his wife, left on Sunday last
for Rochester, Minn., where he
will undergo an operation.

Mr. W. S. Ritchie of Winni-
peg, representative of the Cana-
dian Northern Town Propert-
ies Company, was in town last
Friday.

For the painless extracting of
teeth I administer gas, and have
also local anesthetics that are
excellent. Dr. Taylor, Dentist,
Alaska. Go any day.

Mrs. E. C. Watrous of Excel,
left last Thursday morning to
join her daughters in California,
where she will spend the winter
months.

There will be a Masquerade
ball held in the Excel hall on
Friday evening, Dec. 29th.

Mr. J. McKenzie left on Sun-
day morning for Whycomagh
N.S., where he will spend
Christmas with his parents.

Mr. J. A. McCall, M.P.P., was
a visitor in town last Saturday.
Messrs. H. Rummage and T.
Abbott of Excel left for Detroit,
Michigan, on Thursday last.

Roller skates of Munton's
skating rink, Mr. and
Mrs. H. M. Kennedy. He ex-
pects to leave shortly for Iowa,
where he will attend college.

A Scheer, Christmas tree
and a cantata entitled "The
Real Santa Claus" will be given
in the Cappon Schoolhouse, on
Wednesday, December 20th, at
8.15 p.m.

Send the Oyen News to your
friends in the east or in the
States and let them see what a
enterprising town we have.
Also what we have to contend
with in the way of car short-
age.

Mr. J. L. Tupper and his son,
Glenn Tupper left on Tuesday
morning for Rochester, Minn.

Miss Y. G. Young, who has
been visiting her sister, Mrs. H.
Smith, left yesterday for Nar-
ton, Alta.

The Oyen Red Cross Society
will hold a tea and bazaar in
the Methodist church, on Satur-
day, December 16th., afternoon
and evening. Come and pur-
chase your Xmas gifts, candy,
fruit, baking etc.

For Sale—Ladies \$75.00 fur-
lined coat for \$40.00; also an
\$85.00 Hard coal base burner,
used one season, \$55.00. Apply
to W. V. Miller, Oyen.

Debate, Sapper and Dance
will be given in Glensda School
on Wednesday, December 20th.
Proceeds will be given to the
Patriotic Fund. Admission 75c

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jones and
family left on Tuesday morning
for Arcola, Ill., where they will
spend Christmas with their
parents.

Mrs. Roy Clemens, who has
been spending the last six
weeks at her parent's home in
Clemens district, returned last
Sunday.

Mr. P. W. Hart left yesterday
morning for California, where
he will spend a couple of months
vacation.

Mr. S. B. Lawrence is spend-
ing a few days in Calgary this
week.

Wrestling Match

Conners vs. Cook

On Thursday evening quite a
large number of enthusiastic
sports turned out to see a very
fair wrestling match which
was held in Peterson's garage
between Conners and Cook.

A boxing match was staged
as a preliminary to the wrest-
ling match between M. M. Stev-
enson of Fairacres and T. Voght
of Sounding Creek, the latter
proving the better man.

Then came the wrestling
match between Conners of Excel
and Cook of Toronto. Conners,
who is a local man, has had
considerable experience in
wrestling in the Western
States since he last appeared in
Oyen and was not long in prov-
ing to his opponent that he was
more than his match.

Both men were in the pink of
condition and showed astonish-
ing agility throughout the
match. Conners' ability to get
out of tight corners was re-
peatedly applauded, and the ef-
forts of both men kept the
spectators in intense excite-
ment.

After about ten minutes Cook
got into difficulties and fifty-five
seconds later Conners had him
down for a first fall, using a
"arm-bar and hammerlock."

Cook came back with renewed
vigor after the interval and
tried to get the better of
his opponent with very little
success. Conners being too quick
for him. After about fourteen
minutes of hard wrestling Con-
ners got Cook in his power and
threw him for the second time
in fourteen minutes and twenty
seconds, using the "catchhold."

Alberta Farmers' Co- operative Elevator Company Meet

A meeting of the local share-
holders of the Alberta Farmers
Co-operative Elevator Company
was held in the Oyen
School on Saturday afternoon
last. The principal business of
the meeting was the hearing of
the report of the annual meet-
ing of the Company held at Cal-
gary, and from the report
which was given by Messrs. G.
H. Logan and Neid, showed
that the Alberta Farmers Co-
operative Elevator Co. were in
splendid financial standing and
very progressive.

After the business meeting
Mr. Tweedie, president of the
Patriotic Fund for Southern
Alberta, addressed the meeting
and gave a very interesting
and instructive talk on the
Patriotic Fund and showed how
necessary it was that everyone
should help in this noble cause.

Successful Dance

Quite a large gathering was
present in Peterson's garage on
Friday evening of last week,
when a very successful dance
was given. The number pre-
sent was greater than antici-
pated and the promoters of the
dance were exceedingly pleased
at the way the people turned
out. The music was very ably
supplied by Miss King of Ben-
ton, and Messrs. Geo. Mel, and
H. Hancock.

Don't forget to go to S. A.
Miller & Co.'s store for a 1917
calendar.



HAPPINESS IS THE GREATEST THING IN
THIS WORLD, THE WAY TO BECOME HAPPY
YOURSELF IS TO MAKE SOMEONE ELSE FEEL
HAPPY.

BUY A WHOLE LOT OF CHRISTMAS
PRESENTS FOR YOUR FAMILY AND FOR
YOUR FRIENDS, AND SOME NEW THINGS FOR
YOURSELF.

FOR YOUR OWN COMFORT COME IN THIS
WEEK TO DO YOUR CHRISTMAS BUYING.
OUR STORE, YOU KNOW, IS THE POPULAR
CHRISTMAS STORE. AFTER THIS WEEK
WE WILL BE CROWDED ALL THE TIME.

S. A. MILLER & COMPANY

Xmas Gifts

If it is a present of a Doll, Toys,
Books, Gram-o-phones, Chocolates,
Military Brushes, and Ladies Sets
see us. One of the best selection
of Xmas goods ever shown in Oyen

Buy Your Kodak Supplies from

Geo. A. Morrison,
Chemist and Druggist,

Oyen,

Alta.

"We want your trade."

JUST ARRIVED

Half a Car of

Bedsteads, Springs and Mattresses

We can quote you Beds complete from
\$9.50 to \$45.00

Also a full line of Kitchen and Dining
Chairs from 60c to \$1.75. Rocking
Chairs \$1.50 to \$3.50

Come in early and make your selection.

W. C. HOSKINS

"Always for the Best"

OYEN,

ALTA

THE OYEN NEW OYEN, ALBERTA.

A paper published every Wednesday, on the interests of Oyen and the surrounding districts.

Subscription in Canada \$1.00 a year. United States and Foreign, \$1.50 a year.

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Local notices, not coming under the head of classified ads, will be charged for at the rate of two cents a word. Display advertising rates given on application.

Accounts are rendered monthly and are due when rendered. Changes for Display advertising should be in this office by Monday noon for publication in the following Wednesday's issue.

A. G. Holmes, Editor.

Wednesday, Dec. 13th, 1916

Oyen Car Shortage Before Minister of Trade

The petition distributed by the local Board of Trade has been widely signed locally and is causing somewhat of a stir particularly at other points that are similarly affected. Newspapers generally are making favorable comment on the efforts put forth by the local Board and sympathy is expressed for the condition that exists here which is apparently more acute than at almost any other grain shipping center in either of the two Provinces.

On Tuesday the Secretary of the Board of Trade received the following letter from the Minister of Trade and Commerce at Ottawa.

Ottawa,
Dec. 8th, 1916

Board of Trade,
Oyen, Alta.

Dear Sirs:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram with regard to car shortage.

I have placed the matter at once in the hands of the Board of Grain Commissioners in Port William who, I have no doubt, will give it immediate attention. I regret, however, to say that the shortage of cars all through Canada is very serious and, whilst it bears with particular severity, as it would appear from your telegram, on your district, it is causing very great trouble all through the country. One main reason for it is the immense quantity of munitions and supplies for the war which have to be transported and which must take precedence of all else. I have communicated with the Board of Railway Commissioners along the same line and hope that it may be possible to give you some relief.

Yours sincerely,
George E. Foster.

The Independent Electors met here on Friday evening last and decided to hold a rally in the Oyen Methodist church, on Friday, December 29th at 2 p.m. The meeting will be addressed by speakers from Youngstown, Central and Chinook.

At a concert, social and dance held at Benton Schoolhouse on Friday evening last, the sum of \$388.00 was realized. The proceeds were in aid of the Patriotic Fund.

Mr. Dinwiddie of Capton, is recovering from his recent illness.

Mr. Mood who has been suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia is progressing favorably towards recovery.

Settlement of School Controversy Requires Lengthy Session

A number of ratepayers attended the meeting on Wednesday last called by Mr. T. W. Henderson of the Provincial Department of Education, with a view of arriving at a decision in regard to the school controversy which has raged intermittently in Oyen for several months.

Mr. Henderson spoke at some length explaining in detail the situation which had arisen and pointed out its seriousness to all who have the welfare of Oyen at heart. In view of the attitude adopted by the Minister of Education the meeting decided that there was no other course open to the ratepayers than to pass a resolution calling on the Minister to dismiss the present board and appoint a Public Trustee who would not only see that the interests of the Oyen people would be considered but also that the conditions of the School Act would be lived up to, neither of which things, with all due consideration for the Board, have up to the present been done.

Considerable sympathy is expressed on behalf of the local board who find themselves in an embarrassing position though they have acted in good faith in all the negotiations that have so far taken place, and in erring as they have undoubtedly done, they have been guilty of nothing further than carelessness. It is to be sincerely hoped that this question is now finally being disposed of and that the Public Trustee will be speedily appointed and that he will have arrangements made without undue delay whereby the school building will be completed.

FOUND—A sum of money on Main street, loser may receive same by proving his property and paying for this advertisement.—Apply Oyen News Office.

Don't forget the Bazaar which the Oyen Red Cross Society is holding in the Methodist church on Saturday, December 10th., afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kennedy, who has been residing in Oyen during the past few months left this morning for the Coast.

Total subscriptions up-to-date for the Patriotic Fund for Superbia district amounts to more than \$1,200.00

BROME AND EYE GRASS SEED MIXED

Cleaned and sacked at
10 cents per lb.
Orders filled in rotation as they are received.

Elmer C. Hallman,
Acadia Valley Postoffice,
Sec. 27-25-3.

An Oyen Benedict

A pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Nathiella, Alta., on Wednesday last, the principals being Miss Melva A. Goss and Mr. Lemuel G. Chapman. The ceremony was performed in the presence of immediate friends and relatives by Rev. S. D. Webster. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman will reside on Second Ave., East, Oyen where they will be at home after December 15th.

BIRTHS

Born—At Oyen on December 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hunt, a daughter.

At Oyen on Dec. 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Evans, a daughter.

At Clemons on December 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eoff, a son.

J. A. McColl, M.L.A., is leaving shortly for Ottawa where he will take up the question of the car shortage with the proper authorities. It will be remembered that Mr. McColl made a similar trip last winter and met with a good deal of success.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Kelly left for Calgary this morning.

Miss Eva Peterson returned this morning from Brooks, where she has been visiting relatives.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Second hand Ford car or will trade for cattle. Apply—Jas. Simpson, Oyen, Alta.

FOR SALE—2 Pure bred Yorkshire Boars, registered; one full grown one 9 months old. Pedigrees furnished free. Also a number of grade pigs forwarded during summer. Albert Bakken, Egan.

FOR SALE—No. 1 Marquis seed wheat, \$2.00 per bushel. J. W. Cheavins, Sec 4-25-5, Egan.

WANTED

WANTED—Farm man by the year, must be a good houseman and capable of taking charge if necessary. Apply—Oyen News Office.

FOR EXCHANGE—British Columbia, or to subdivide property for improved farm in Alberta or Saskatchewan. Write G. L. Pearson, Oyen, Alta.

JOHN OSZUST
Well Driller and Contractor
"Gets water where others fail"
Oyen, - Alberta

Insure Your Farm Buildings —WITH THE— Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company

The cheapest and largest Farmers' Insurance Company in existence.

This Company has now in force \$54,380,132 of Insurance and have paid losses amounting to \$70,063.37

Their Insurance business this year has increased \$6,211,000. Such an increase in business has never been heard of with any Insurance Company in Canada before.

C. A. GILDERS,
Agent Oyen, Alberta

Donald McKay General Blacksmith

We Guarantee Satisfaction

SHOP—Opposite Moore's Feed and Livery Stable.

OYEN; - ALTA

Have you ordered your Christmas Cards yet? We have a beautiful selection of Private Greeting Cards to choose from. Prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$4.50 a dozen.—Oyen News Office.

NOTICE

NOW is the time to get your house wired for Electric Lights as the plant will soon be installed.

See us for estimates as to cost etc.

RED SENTRY GARAGE

SPAULDING & MARSHALL, Props.

AUCTION SALE Of Thoroughbred Cattle

Now is your chance to get cattle at your own price. Come over to

D. M. McIver, 36-28-3, Sibbald

On Thursday, Dec. 21st, 1916

Sale at 1 o'clock.

This is the best bred stock in Alberta.

As Mr. McIver is going out of the cattle business everything will be sold,

B. H. DIAL, Auctioneer.

CHURCH NOTICES

OYEN METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday

Preaching Service	7.30 p.m.
Sunday School	2.30 p.m.
Brays	11 a.m.
Benton School	3.40 p.m.

Rev. S. D. Webster, Pastor

Sacred Heart Church.

Regular services will be held First Sunday in each month at 10.30 a.m.

Rev. W. F. Bowles.

DECEMBER EXCURSIONS

To EASTERN CANADA

Liberal Stopovers. Excellent Service. Standard Electric Lighted Train. The best of Standard Sleepers. Observation cars. Winnipeg to Toronto, and

THROUGH TOURIST CARS NEW WITH ALL LATEST IMPROVEMENT

HOME VISITOR'S EXCURSIONS

To UNITED STATES POINTS

MINNEAPOLIS, ST. PAUL, MILWAUKEE, CHICAGO, DES MOINES, KANSAS CITY AND OTHER POINTS.

December Excursion and Home Visitor's Excursion Tickets on Sale Daily from December 1st to 31st. First Class Tickets. Good for Three Months. Check of Name.

Very Low Return Fares to Atlantic Ports in connection with Steamship Tickets by all lines to

OLD COUNTRY

Tickets on Sale Daily from Nov. 12 to Dec. 31. Good to return anytime within five months, and by another Atlantic port if desired.

Information and Tickets from any Canadian Northern Agent Or write J. MADILL, District Passenger Agent, Edmonton.

Subscribe to The Oyen News

Farm Lands For Sale

Prospective buyers will find it to their advantage to look over our list of good farm lands.

Notary Public
Issuer of Marriage
Licenses

Money to Loan
Real Estate Broker

J. HOWARD ALEXANDER,

Main Street,

Oyen, Alta.



Paid-up Capital \$5,000,000 Total Assets over \$20,000,000

Advances made to responsible farmers on security of threshed grain. Bring us your bills of lading or storage tickets. We will make liberal advances against them. We also make advances to assist in the purchase of live stock or split surplus stock can be disposed of.

Our Savings Bank Department will take care of your surplus funds. Interest allowed at 5 per cent.

BANK OF TORONTO

R. E. KELLY,

Oyen Branch

Manager.

Private Christmas Greeting Cards

Book your order early. We have the best selection of cards on the market. Call and see the Sample Book.

THE OYEN NEWS

Stop! Look!! Listen!!!

Just arrived. A splendid assortment of Moirs' and Neilson's fancy box chocolates. Any size box you wish. Just the thing for a Xmas gift.

In addition to the above, we have a full line of Christmas Candies, Chocolates and Nuts in bulk.

We also invite you to inspect our stock of

Dolls, Books and Toys

We always carry a full line of

Groceries and Fruit

At Lowest Cash Prices.

Headquarters for

Best Bread and Pastry

The Acadia Delicatessen

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

H. C. Swartzlander
M. D.
PHYSICIAN
McArthur Block OYEN, ALTA

John F. Kerr
Veterinary Surgeon
Graduate of Ontario
Veterinary College
Main St. Oyen, Alta

F. C. McClean
Barrister, Solicitor,
Notary Public
Money To Loan
Oyen, Alberta

J. J. Kelly, L. L. B.
Barrister, Solicitor and
Notary Public
Money to Loan
Oyen, Alberta

Griffiths & Co.,
Office next Post Office
Money to loan at lowest rates
Barristers, Solicitors
Notaries, Conveyancers etc.
Youngstown, Alberta

General Hospital

Oyen
Alberta

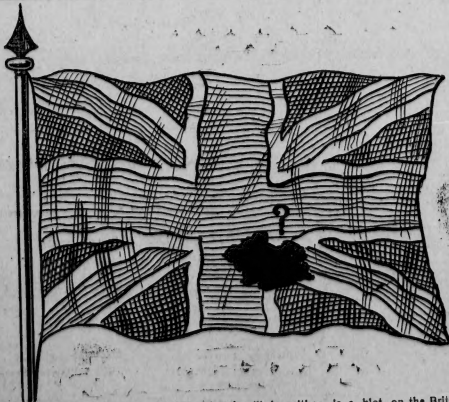
Trained Nurses
I could not
attend

THE MARKET

Prices Paid at The Elevators

Wheat, No. 1 Northern	1.48
No. 2 "	1.45
No. 3 "	1.40
Flax	2.25
Oats	.40
Barley	.95

THE BLOT ON THE FLAG



Every man who is able to fight or pay, and will do neither, is a blot on the British flag, which all the glory of the Army and Navy cannot wash out. The blot can be cleansed only by the voluntary contributions of the public. Will you contribute your share?

Subscribe to the Patriotic Fund

Oyen Branch--Patriotic Fund

Subscriptions up-to-date

J. H. Alexander	\$100.00
Couper & Holloway	100.00
C. A. Gilders	100.00
P. W. Hart	100.00
A. G. Holmes	100.00
J. P. Kerr	100.00
Thos. Lees	120.00
S. A. Miller & Co	100.00
J. McKenzie	100.00
Peterson Motor Co.	120.00
Dr. Swartzlander	100.00
C. A. H. Swanson	100.00
Whitlock Lumber Co.	100.00
C. Wilson	100.00
B. H. Dial	50.00
W. R. Moucham	25.00
G. A. Mowen	50.00
W. T. A. Walker	25.00

Total \$1,700.00

Municipal Elections

New Faces at Council Boards

R. M. Cereal will have two new members in their 1917 Council. Councillors Tupper and Carr of the last Council having retired. At the election held on Monday the following were elected with the exception of the last named.

W. J. Ada	91
W. H. Adlington	97
J. C. Cottrell	93
F. E. L. Brown	93
J. P. Hornbeck	87
J. M. Hyatt	82
Ray Anderson	70

R. M. of Hertawan elects its Council by Divisions and in only one of these was there a contest, M. L. Culver being opposed by H. S. Fizer in Division 3. Final returns are yet to hand.

In the other divisions the following councillors were elected by acclamation.

No. 1 John Young, No. 2 H. Rose, No. 3 No nomination. No. 4 Al Trewin, No. 5 Jas. Glenn.

In R. M. of Acadia there was only one contest there being only one nomination in each of the others. J. C. Hallman was opposed by T. W. Carey the latter winning by eight votes.

Rural Municipality of Acadia

Take notice, that after December 15th, distress proceedings will be taken against all delinquent tax payers.

D. M. GILHAM,
Sec-Treas.

Edward Shaw

Experienced
Auctioneer and Valuer
License for Alberta and Saskatchewan
Benton, Alberta.

Salesman Wanted

—For—

CANADA'S GREATEST NURSERIES
In every part of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, where not represented.
Selected list of hardy tested varieties recommended by Western Experimental stations including: Hybrid Apples, Native Plums, Russian Cherries, Small Fruits, Seed Potatoes, Seedlings and Rooted Cuttings, and Shelter Belts, also Hardy Ornamental stock.

Start now at best selling time.
Liberal Proposition

Stone & Wellington

The Fonthill Nurseries, Estab. 1858
Toronto, Ontario.

Alberta Livery

Feed and Sale Stable

J. McKenzie, Proprietor.
OYEN ALBERTA.

XMAS

XMAS

Christmas Buying Suggestions

For Mother—a pair of suitable Spectacles.

For Father—a new watch, chain or fob.

For Big Sister—a gold wrist watch, or a diamond Lavalere.

For Little Sister—a necklace and locket or a brooch

For Baby—a Baby ring, or sterling silver baby spoon

For the whole family—a Mantle clock. The stock is now open for inspection.

J. W. CROCKETT,
Jeweler and Optician

The Oyen Billiard Hall

We have built an addition to the Billiard Hall and installed another Snooker table and an American billiard table.

We carry at all times a large and well assorted stock of Tobaccos, Cigars, Cigarettes, Candies, etc., and serve all kinds of Soft drinks.

Hot Bovril Served

Chas. A. Wilson Proprietor

Maxwell Cars

The Car that broke all records. 22,022.3 miles without stopping the motor Over 500 miles each day.

Think of a car built to stand such a test.

Best of all think of owning one of these cars for less than \$1,000

5 Passenger Touring Car \$925.00
f.o.b. Calgary.

McPHERSON & PRICE

Six years experience in the Pump and Windmill business.

The New Meat Market

See us for
Fresh, Salted and Smoked Meats
Fish and Oysters in season

C. E. BEARD

The Sample Room of the Alberta Hotel.

ADVERTISE IN THE OYEN NEWS

SUPPORT YOUR HOME TOWN

We Examine Eyes Scientifically

You can ascertain the exact condition of your eyes in fifteen or twenty minutes. Next time you are in town call in and see us. We guarantee to give you entire satisfaction.

I. W. Crockett - Jeweler & Optician

Christmas Beef



We have the finest beef that ever was brought into Oyen. We will sell right to make a quick sale.

Hind quarters 15c lb. Front 12c

If you want the best in
FRESH and CURED MEATS
You cannot do better
than get it from us

Couper & Holloway

Proprietors

OYEN,

ALTA.

GET READY FOR WINTER

Now that the winter months are here it is necessary that you should protect yourself against the cold weather by keeping your house warm and comfortable. Use our

Storm Windows and Doors

They will more than pay for themselves with the fuel you will save.

COAL

COAL

We Handle the Best Coal on the Market.
Get Your Winter's Supply From Us

Beaver Lumber Co.

H. Hancock

Manager.

R. M. of Golden Center

The tenth meeting of Council of R.M. of Golden Center was held at L. C. Michaels on Monday, Dec. 4th. Members all present.

Council called to order by Reeves and business transacted as follows:

Minutes read and confirmed. Correspondence read and disposed of.

Petition read from Thos. King and others asking removal of Pound at T. G. White.

Secretary was asked to deliver petition to new council and asked to take action at once.

Complaint was made by C. Henderson of Youngstown, re horses sold by D. Joyes of Fairfere.

C. Henderson was advised that the Council will look into the matter at once. D. Joyes was notified to attend next meeting of Council and clear up matter, and Coun. Logan instructed to secure legal advice and if necessary to begin proceedings at once.

The following accounts were paid:

P. Croft, destruction of weeds	\$27.00
S. Wilson, weed inspection	45.00
S. Cord, road work	6.00
R. Cord do	6.00
Beaver Lumber Co.	60.00
Oyen News	1.00
A. Larson, destruction of weeds	10.00
C. McMurray, weed inspection	51.25
W. C. Hoskins	1.20
Western Min. News	16.00
Road work	400.00
W. Shier	3.50
J. O. Jarmin	0.50
J. Baker, comm. fee and mileage	71.41
D. J. Emie do	35.75
R. Gardiner, fee and mileage	8.80
J. R. McConnell do	9.00
R. O. Morrow do	2.50
G. Wilson do	13.25
W. Park do	15.25
H. C. Mehal, rent	35.00
R. Gardiner, fee for legal advice	4.00

Orders of John Baker in favor of Ross Leadbeater and Union Bank of Canada were tabled.

Seizure against H. L. Horncastle was released on grounds that property belonged to H. Miller.

Booth for Ward 2 was located at 22-20-5, with A. Miller as Deputy Returning Officer.

Claim was made by John Baker for horse killed on road work.

Reeve Gardiner was empowered to employ solicitor and file an answer to claim.

Secretary was instructed to send the following resolution to the Secretary of the Association of L.L.D.'s and R.M.'s:

Notice to amend By-law No. 6 L.L.D. and R.M. Assn., by adding—

"No nomination to be valid unless the nominee is a member of a L.L.D. or R.M. Council.

Provided, however, that any incumbent of the above office who is not a member of a L.L.D.

Local and Personal

Attention is called to the advertisement of J. W. Crockett who specializes in eye troubles and guarantees to fit glasses within twenty minutes, to suit every possible condition.

Anyone wishing to rent the town piano must make arrangements with the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Meacham.

The sewing meeting of the Red Cross Society of Excel will meet at the home of Mrs. J. Schragg on Thursday afternoon December 21st. All ladies interested are invited to attend.

B. H. Dial will sell by auction at D. M. Ives, 30-25-3, a bunch of thorough bred cattle on Thursday, Dec. 21st, at one p.m. See advertisement on page four.

Once a year is certainly not too often for a trip to the old home or the old home town.

FOR SALE—A furnished house and lot on First Ave. Apply—News Office.

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The J. C. Mitchell sale which was to have taken place on December 8th. has been indefinitely postponed owing to the indisposition of the auctioneer B. H. Dial.

W. Ballentine of the Bank of Toronto staff has left for his home in Pilot Mound, Man., where his father lies seriously ill.

E. Hosford and R. Cates left this morning to attend the Stock Fair at Calgary.

Jas. Murray, manager of the Bank of Toronto, Sibbald, spent the weekend with friends in Oyen.

Rev. S. D. Webster has been in Chinook for a few days and took the services there on Sunday last.

Hank McDonald had a narrow escape on Thursday last, when his car upset on the road to Oyen. Luckily nothing more serious than a dislocated thumb and some bruises resulted.

or R.M. Council, may, by a unanimous vote of the delegates present, be re-elected for one term only.

Secretary was instructed to prepare an amendment to By-law No. 1, restraining hogs, sheep and goats the whole year.

Meeting was adjourned to meet at L. C. Michaels on Monday, January 1st. 1917

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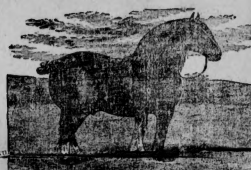
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